

COLORADO HAS
MUCH TROUBLEGovernor's Rights Are To Be Tested in Open
Court Soon.

PRISONERS ARE IN GUARD HOUSE

Military Authorities Refuse To Recognize the Rulings
of the Supreme Court of the State
Ordering Their Release at Once.

(Special By Scripps-McIntee.)

Denver, Colo., Dec. 17.—The power of Gov. Peabody to declare martial law in Teller county is involved in the action of the State Supreme court in issuing writs of habeas corpus in the cases of Victor Poole and J. Paul, prisoners held in the military guard-house at Camp Gold Field, Cripple Creek. Attorneys representing the prisoners waived the matter of having the prisoners produced in court, and the cases were set for argument.

District Judge Seeds of the Teller county court recently ordered Poole released on a writ of habeas corpus, but the military authorities, acting under Gov. Peabody's instructions, ignored the court's order. No criminal charge has been brought against Poole.

Alleges Perjury.
During the proceedings Attorney General Miller accused Horace Hawkins and Frank J. Banga, attorneys for the prisoners, of perjury in making affidavits that a state of insurrection and rebellion did not, and does not, exist in Teller county, as declared by Gov. Peabody in his proclamation of martial law. Attorney Hawkins characterized the statement of the Attorney General as an "unnecessary insult."

The court reserved all decisions as to its power to take jurisdiction on the right of the governor to issue a proclamation suspending the writ of habeas corpus in the case of Poole, and all other questions involved.

Trying to Secure a Jury.
Georgetown, Colo., Dec. 17.—Examination of veniremen was resumed to secure a jury for the trial of fourteen union miners, charged with complicity in the blowing up of property on the Sun and Moon mine at Idaho Springs on July 25 last. It is reported that the state will attempt to prove that the Sun and Moon explosion was planned by a so-called inner circle of the Western Federation of Miners, and that several union men who knew the details of the alleged plot will testify for the prosecution.

SEA OF AZOF
IS GOING AWAY

Vessels Are Lying High and Dry in the Harbor for Lack of Water.
St. Petersburg, Dec. 17.—The sea of Azof is disappearing. At Taganrog the waters have receded to such an extent during the last five days that the bed of the sea is visible for a distance of thousands of feet. High winds hurried clouds of sand shoreward, covering the town. Vessels are lying high and dry and the greatest confusion prevails in the harbor. Work in the factories has had to be reduced to a minimum, owing to lack of water.

FRANCE APPROVES
THE PEACE PLANThe Russia Austrian Arrangement for
Macedonian Peace, Meets
Their Approval.

Paris, Dec. 17.—It is learned that France will make a favorable reply to the Russo-Austrian proposal respecting the establishment of the Cretan system of administration for Macedonia. Italy and Great Britain are also expected to accept it. Gen. Tzontis, the military chief of the revolutionists is quoted as saying its adoption would result in immediate pacification.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES

The Canton, O., plant of the Structural Steel Co. plant has been sold to a Cleveland firm for \$100,000, to be used for a manufacturing company.

During the last few weeks forty head of fine cattle suffering with tuberculosis, near Janeville, have been ordered killed and their bodies buried.

Fire at the Grand hotel, Cincinnati, Ohio, caused a small loss. Crossed wires caused the flames to shoot from the west side on the sixth floor, but the fire was soon extinguished. No one was hurt and there was little excitement.

While running at a high rate of speed a Cleveland and Southwestern electric car, on its way from Wooster to Cleveland, O., was thrown down a high embankment by the breaching of a wheel near Strongsville Center. Twenty passengers were severely injured by flying glass.

The Raleigh, Cincinnati, Albany and Pompeii of the United States northern squadron, under command of Rear Admiral Cooper, arrived at Honolulu, from Yokohama via Midway Island. Later in the day Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans, commander in chief of the Asiatic fleet, arrived on the flagship Kentucky, accompanied by the battleships Wisconsin and Oregon.

The city election returns completed at Boston, Mass., show that Mayor Patrick A. Collins (dem.) was re-elected by 26,495 over George N. Swallow (rep.). The democrats also elected a street commissioner, twelve of the thirteen aldermen and all of their nine candidates for the school committee. The common council will stand: Democrats, 51; republicans, 22. As usual, the city voted in favor of license.

No change was made in the price of structural steel at the meeting of the leading manufacturers of America at the Holland house, New York. The furniture of the First National bank of Kenosha was badly damaged by a broken steam pipe Wednesday. Two feet of water was found in the building.

THE CATHEDRALS
AND FRENCH LIFEDescribed and Illustrated in a Vol-
interesting Lecture Before Social
Club by Rev. Denison.

Rev. Robert C. Denison took the Social club of the Congregational church on an interesting little journey through the cities of France last evening. Aside from a few brief glimpses of Paris the tour was confined to the three cathedral cities of Rouen, Beauvais and Chartres. The descriptions were accompanied by a series of interesting stereopticon views from slides prepared for the purpose.

Cathedral's Leading Part
The old cathedrals, said the lecturer, were the books of a day when no one had books. Through them the church taught its lessons. The whole story of the religious life of the time was told in the carvings of the exterior and the stained glass windows within. Always over the doorways the last judgment was depicted, showing the fate of those who strayed from the paths of righteousness and the reward awaiting others who followed faithfully the dictates of the church. About these great structures were grouped the little shops and even the dwellings huddled close for protection. Nothing in our life nowadays takes the place of the old cathedral. Here the soldier came to have his arms blessed. In the great nave were performed the miracle plays of the Middle Ages—the origin of the modern drama. The great processions passed through them. Then as well as now they were always open. The weary stepped in for rest and shelter, the faithful to pray. The whole life of the people centered there.

Gothic Architecture
The glory of the Gothic architecture is its aspiring element. The great cathedrals of Europe were built in this style. In the later centuries the architecture became more ornate and the old simple, aspiring style was supplanted in France by the flamboyant Gothic. The French retained the curve, while in England the departures for purposes of ornamentation were always in the perpendicular. Pictures of the church San Maclun in Rouen and the chapel back of Westminster Abbey in London were shown to illustrate the two developments. The stories of the French cathedrals, the rivalry of towns, which were responsible for their being, the laborers who toiled for a few cents a day in their construction, the historical scenes enacted within or before their walls, the crude and primitive characteristics of the cities built around them were described and illustrated in a most entertaining manner. The next meeting of the Social club will be held on the evening of January 13.

CAR BARN MURDERER WILL
BE TRIED BEGINNING FRIDAYEmil Roscki Case Is the First One
to Be Called in
Court.

Chicago, Dec. 17.—The trial of the car barn bandit begins tomorrow. Emil Roscki's case comes first, the rest following.
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AMERICAN LEAGUE MAGNATES
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OI TURN ME LOOSE!

RECIPROCITY IS A LAW

CUBAN BILL PASSED SENATE LAST NIGHT

It Was Signed by Roosevelt This Morning—Havana and All of Cuba
Now Rejoice Over Their Recognition by the
American Republic.

(Special By Scripps-McIntee.)

Washington, Dec. 17.—President Roosevelt today signed the bill which carries into effect the Cuban reciprocity treaty which was passed by the senate last night. The pen used by the president in signing the bill was a gold one provided by the Cuban representatives. The signing of the bill has caused great rejoicing among the friends of Cuba at Washington and is counted as one of the greatest victories yet obtained by the present administration.

SHIPS RETURN
FROM FAR SOUTHThe Scotia of Buenos Ayres Reached
Latitude 70.25 South
Recently.

Buenos Ayres, Argentina, Dec. 17.—The auxiliary screw steamer Scotia, which left the Clyde Nov. 3, 1902, for the antarctic regions with members of the Scottish National Antarctic association, has arrived here from the antarctic regions. The steamer will remain at Buenos Ayres a week, after which she will return to the Falkland Island, where six members of the expedition will remain in charge of the meteorological station. The expedition reached latitude 70.25 south.

OFFERS BLACK PLACE ON
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSIONPresident Would Confer the Honor
on President of the
G. A. R.

Washington, Dec. 17.—President Roosevelt this morning offered the vacancy on the civil service commission caused by the death of J. C. Proctor, to General John Black, commander of the G. A. R.

POSTPONE ACTION UNTIL
JANUARY IN WOOD TROUBLESet January Fourth As the Date for
Their Action on
Question.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The senate committee on military affairs this morning decided to postpone until January 4th the action on confirmation of the nomination of General Wood.

SAYS RUSSIA DID NOT PLEASE
JAPAN ANSWERING DEMANDSLondon Dispatches by the Reuter
Agency Say That War
Is Liable.

London, Dec. 17.—The Reuters news service reports that the answer of Russia to the Japanese note was not satisfactory and has not resulted in a settlement of the difficulties.

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WANT MONEY OR THEY WILL
HOLD UP THE FAST TRAIN

Adams Express Company Receives
Word to Pay Large Sum or
Take the Consequence.
(Special By Scripps-McIntee.)
New Haven, Conn., Dec. 17.—Officers of the Adams Express company have received word that unless a specified sum be paid to senders the special train on the Hartford, New York and New Haven road, which carries large sums of money and is known as the special express will be blown up.

AWFUL FIRE HORROR IN
QUAKER CITY LAST NIGHTMother and Two Children Burned to
a Crisp in a Philadelphia
Blaze.

(Special To The Gazette.)
Philadelphia, Dec. 17.—Mrs. Harry Smith and two children, twelve and sixteen years of age, were burned to death in a fire this morning which destroyed a boarding house in the Oak Lane suburb.

PROMINENT TOLEDO PEOPLE
ARE BURNED TO DEATH

Were Cremated in a Fierce Fire
Which Broke Out During
the Night.
(Special By Scripps-McIntee.)
Toledo, Dec. 17.—Mr. and Mrs. Herman Niehaus, a prominent couple, were cremated in their home this morning. The fire which broke out during the night completely destroyed their residence.

POLICEMEN IN BOSTON CATCH
SAFE BLOWERS AT WORKOne of the Robbers Is Killed, and
Others Badly
Wounded.

Boston, December 17.—In a battle between two policemen and five safe-blowers one of the latter was killed. The thieves had blown a safe a few minutes previous to the fight.

FIGHTS ALL NIGHT AND THEN
SURRENDERS TO THE POLICEKilled a Deputy Sheriff Who Tried
to Serv Papers Upon
Him.

Riversdale, L. I., Dec. 17.—Alonso Reeves, who killed a deputy sheriff Wednesday and afterwards barricaded himself in his house, surrendered to the police this morning after an all night fight with a posse which surrounded the house. Reeves was shot in the face shortly before he surrendered.

Members of the state board of control investigated the new "arinetto" county insane asylum at Ashfield Wednesday.

BISHOP COMING
TO FOND DU LACHe Will Take Up Mgr. Grafton's
Work in the Greek Church
Question.

Moscow, Dec. 17.—Mgr. Tikhon, orthodox bishop of North America, is returning to America in connection with the negotiations opened by Mgr. Grafton, Anglican bishop of Fond du Lac, Wis., to bring about more friendly relations between the Greek and Anglican churches. The abbot of the monastery of the Innocents of Moscow, the richest establishment of its kind here, has been appointed confidant to Bishop Tikhon.

SWITZERLAND HOLDS ITS
NATIONAL ELECTIONM. Countesse Was Chosen President
by a Large Vote
Yesterday.

(Special By Scripps-McIntee.)
Bern, Dec. 17.—The national election in Switzerland resulted in the election of M. Countesse as president of the Swiss republic.

ANN ARBOR PRESIDENT'S
WIFE DIED OF PNEUMONIAHas Been Ill But a Short Time—Her
Sudden Death a
Surprise.

(Special By Scripps-McIntee.)
Ann Arbor, Mich., Dec. 17.—Mrs. James B. Angell, wife of the president of the University of Michigan, died this morning of pneumonia.

FIND COLOMBIANS WAITING
FOR PANAMA WAR TO BEGINCruiser Atlanta Discovers a Body of
Five Hundred of Them
Hiding.

(Special By Scripps-McIntee.)
Panama, Dec. 17.—The American cruiser Atlanta has returned from a voyage on which it just captured a party of five hundred Colombians there and that an American officer sent ashore was met with protestations against landing by the Colombian officers. They also claimed the vessel had no right in the vicinity.

THREE MEN BURNED IN
A NORTHERN CAMPMeet Their Death in the Burning of
a Big Logging Camp
Boarding House.

Sault Ste Marie, Mich., Dec. 17.—Martin Olson, John Rusk and Lars Anderson were burned to death in a construction camp lodging house this morning.

FRAMES TARIFF
FOR ENGLANDImmense Crowds Greet Joseph Chamberlain
at the Campaign's Close.

TELLS OF THE TRADE ADVANTAGES

Believes Reciprocity with the Colonies Would Lead to
Unprecedented Prosperity, and Build Up
the Country Wonderfully.

Leeds, Dec. 17.—Joseph Chamberlain closed his fiscal campaign for the year by addressing two immense audiences here.

From the moment of Mr. Chamberlain's arrival in Leeds the enthusiasm was tremendous, and many demonstrations were made in the streets. The feature of Mr. Chamberlain's first speech was his announcement of the fact that he had been engaged in getting-together a committee to make inquiries among the various branches of trade at home and abroad, the work of which committee, he expected, he said, will result in clearing away many difficulties.

The committee will consist of about thirty business men of the highest standing, who will begin their work in the near future. It will be composed of men from all centers of industry, both in the United Kingdom and in the colonies. The committee will be formed to deal with each branch of trade and to take exhaustive evidence, meeting twice weekly until their work is finished.

Goals for Tariff Bill.
When the reports are completed, Mr. Chamberlain said, he expected to be in a position to formulate a tariff bill acceptable to the country, which will not only foster imperial trade, but which will enable Great Britain

INJURED HORSE
HAD TO BE SHOTAnimal Belonging to Mr. Schumacher
Was Shot This After-
noon.

The horse driven by Ernest Schumacher and young Peterson on Tuesday evening which caused their downfall and appearance in court yesterday will be shot owing to the fact it was injured so badly internally it will not be fit for any future use. The horse was the property of Ernest Schumacher and had been quartered at Crall's barn since being picked up off the street. Tuesday night when the two men were taken to jail by the police. It was raised from the ground with difficulty after its last fall and on arrival at the stable laid down and has since suffered very much. The shooting this afternoon was done at the order of the Humane society, who laid the facts before Schumacher and rather than again appear in court he had the animal killed.

MAD MURDERER HOLDS
SHERIFF'S POSSE AT BAYIntrenches Himself in House and Re-
sists Attempt of Fifty Men to
Capture Him.

New York, Dec. 17.—Intrenched alone in his two-story house at Aqueduct, L. I., without a light and without a fire, A. T. Reeves, who murdered Deputy Sheriff Rufford, who had sought to serve papers on him, successfully withstood a determined attack of fifty men to capture him dead or alive. Fired at with shotguns and pistols from all sides of the house, every pane of glass being shattered, he kept his phenomenal nerve and never for a moment weakened in his expressed determination not to surrender. In response to the bombardment he fired occasionally from an upper story of the house, aiming at the flashes of the guns of the besiegers.

Once Deputy Sheriff Simon R. Gordon, who was firing at the house from the broad, wide roadway in front of it, felt the whizz of a bullet as it sped past his ear. While the men fired upon the upper portion of the house with shotguns and revolvers, others attacked the four doors of the mansion with big stones, with the intention of breaching them down to enable the attacking party to rush in and seize the murderer. Sheriff Preston finally drew off his force.

BOY CHARGED WITH PLAYING
A CLEVER CONFIDENCE GAMESwindled Merchants by Borrowing
Money for Express
Charges.

Chicago, Dec. 17.—Alex Madine, a boy who is held to the criminal court on the charge of having obtained money from merchants by swindling them by borrowing for express charges, after having sold them a bill of goods which never came.

Miss Fannie McAllister of Omro, former department secretary of the Woman Relief corps, is dangerously ill at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. W. Evans, of Waupaca.

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The cost of Mr. Chamberlain's speech was largely a repetition of his former arguments. He said he had been blamed for saying that preferential trade with the colonies would not mean an addition to the cost of living. In answer to this, Mr. Chamberlain quoted a letter from Charles Booth of the firm of Alfred Booth & Co., Liverpool.

Effect on Colonies.
Mr. Booth said that he did not think Mr. Chamberlain's proposals would add to the cost of living, but that even if they did that fact would not, in Mr. Booth's opinion, detract from the merits of the said proposals, which, if carried out with reasonable prudence, would undoubtedly conduce to the national and imperial prosperity.

Referring to the alleged difficulty of convincing the colonies, Mr. Chamberlain said:

"Send me as ambassador to the colonies with full powers. I am perfectly willing to risk my reputation on being able not merely to satisfy the colonies, but also to secure from them equal measures in return."

This challenge was greeted with ringing cheers and cries of "We will."

DESTROYED SHIP
AT ITS DOCKSExplosion on an Italian Vessel at
Marseilles Killed Four Men
and Started Fire.

Marseilles, Dec. 17.—There was a violent explosion on the three masted Italian bark San Leonardo, which sailed from Philadelphia on Oct. 12 with petroleum, while at the docks this morning, killing four of the crew. The vessel took fire at once and was destroyed. The flames spread to thirty freight cars which were alongside the quay and also to neighboring shipping.

MEET HARDSHIPS
WHILE IN THIBETBritish Expedition Lose Many Trans-
ports from the Extreme
Cold.

Calcutta, Dec. 17.—The British expedition which entered Thibet, after having crossed the Jelep pass at 14,350 feet above the sea level, and rescued Rihchangong, on its way to the Chumbi valley, met with immense transport difficulties. The cold was intense. The Indian bullock transport suffered, and anthrax developed among the Nepalese bullocks.

PERRY HEATH DENIES NEW
CHARGES BROUGHTHe Brands the Statement of Special
Council Bonaparte and Con-
rad As Lies.

Chicago, Dec. 17.—Perry Heath today denied the renewals of the charges made against him by Special Attorney Charles Bonaparte and Conrad and brands the report as a pack of lies.

STATE NOTES

The new Wells shoe factory at Fond du Lac narrowly escaped destruction by fire Wednesday; a tar bucket used by roofers taking fire on the roof.

State Banking Commissioner M. C. Bergh has approved the articles of incorporation of the Bank of Tomahawk, Lincoln county. The capital is \$12,500, divided into 125 shares of \$100 each.

At a special election the electors of the village of Oakfield voted to incorporate. The next step will be to hold a special election to establish the rate for the liquor license fee in the village.

Mrs. Margaret Miller, aged 86, of Racine, fell downstairs Wednesday and sustained injuries that will cripple her for the remainder of her life. She weighs over 200 pounds.

The case of Robert H. McCullough of Racine, sentenced to the state prison for a term of ten years, will not be appealed to the supreme court as was expected. He was taken to prison on Wednesday.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. C. Kehler, of Kenosha, was probably fatally burned while playing with his 3 year old sister, a bit of paper on a stove taking fire and communicating to his clothes. The mother also was burned.

RACE SUICIDE IN ROCK COUNTY

STARTLING DISCOVERY MADE AT MADISON ON TUESDAY.

IS A DROP OF 16 PER CENT

Less School Children in This County Than Ever Before—Less Funds Come Back.

Rock county is actually threatened with race suicide as the number of school children is not increasing in the proper proportion. The apportionment of state aid to common schools is based on the number of persons of school age residing in each county on June 30 of each year and the startling discovery has been made that Rock county will receive 16 per cent less this year than last. In 1902, this county drew \$38,304 while this year it is entitled to but \$32,743, a decrease that indicates infallibly the shrinkage in children of the school age which is from 4 to 20 years.

Slight Increase
On June 30 last there were 758,317 persons of school age in the state against 752,069 on the same date a year ago. This was an increase for the twelve months mentioned of only 6,248, against an increase of over 12,000 for the preceding twelve months. Chief Clerk C. L. Harper, who has superintended the work of apportioning the common school fund income for many years, said that, based on the yearly increase in the number of persons of school age in Wisconsin during the last decade, the increase this year should have been about 15,000.

Total Figures
The total amount of the common school fund income apportioned Tuesday by State Supt. Cary was \$1,400,612.77, against \$1,681,626.10 last year. The rate of apportionment for each person of school age this year is \$1.847 against \$2.25 last year.

Another reason for the school age income is less this year than last is principally because the rate of taxation for this purpose from 1 to 7-10 mill. But in making this reduction the legislature provided that, in addition to the sum raised under the 7-10 mill tax, the school fund income should receive \$200,000 annually from the railroad license fees or taxes. As previously, the school fund income also receives the revenues from certain fines, from the sale of certain state lands, and from interest on the common school trust funds. There will be raised this year under the 7-10 mill of a mill tax \$1,021,220. The revenues from interest, fines, and the sale of state lands for the year aggregated \$173,392.77. These two sums, with the \$200,000 from the railroad taxes, make the \$1,400,612.77 apportioned today.

The money apportioned will be paid about the middle of February, after the railroad and other state taxes have been received.

AN OLD RESIDENT CLAIMED BY DEATH

John Cunningham, Father of Attorney John Cunningham of This City, Died Yesterday.

Word was received in the city yesterday of the death of John Cunningham, an old and highly respected resident of the town of Harmony, which occurred at his home yesterday. He was 77 years of age and for over forty years he has been a resident of Rock county and for thirty-two years has made his home on a farm in the town of Harmony.

Besides a widow he leaves six sons, Attorney John Cunningham of Janesville, and William, Thomas, Stephen, Patrick and Frank Cunningham.

Funeral services will be held from the home at 8:45 a. m., Friday, and from St. Mary's church at 10 o'clock.

COLD SPELL TOO MUCH FOR MASONS

Janesville Men Working on Church Tower at Edgerton, Claim They Got a Breeze Off Lake Superior.

The recent cold spell was too much for the Janesville masons and palaters employed in the neighboring cities. Oliver Hill, E. Howland, Lon Hagar, and Albert Denwer who were working on the tower of the new St. Joseph's Catholic church at Edgerton quit work Friday. They claim that they got the full benefit of a breeze right off Lake Superior. They took the precaution, however, of asking for a raise of from 45 to 50 cents before leaving. This was not granted. Otto Mann and James Dowland who were at work on the new hotel in Beloit left at the same time for similar reasons.

NOTICE

State and County Taxes
The tax rolls and warrant for collection of state and county taxes are now in my hands for collection. All persons interested are requested to make payment thereof, at the office of the city treasurer, or the same will be collected at the cost and expense of the persons liable for the payment of said taxes.

Dated the 10th day of December, A. D. 1903. JAS. A. FATHERS, City Treasurer.

A CARD
We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a 50-cent bottle of Green's warranted Syrup of Tar if it fails to cure your cough or cold. We also guarantee a 25-cent bottle to prove satisfactory or money refunded.

J. P. Baker, Geo. E. Kling & Co., E. B. Hestrest, Smith's Pharmacy, People's Drug Co., E. E. Remons & Co., Janesville, Wis.

Bad blood leads to many complaints and fatal diseases. A cupful of A. B. C. Family Tea every night for a week will be a blessing to you. 25c a package. Badger Drug Co.

LABOR TALK FOR WORKMEN

Gossip From All Over.

The Fall River cotton mill operatives have decided to accept reduced wages.

Governor Peabody announced that he had been appealed to for troops by the mine owners in the Telluride district, and that he had asked President Roosevelt to send regulars from Fort Logan. If the President refused, he would order some of the State Guards to Telluride. No violence has been reported, but "the mine owners desire to start their mines with non-union men."

The 2,000 employees of the Pittsburgh Steel Company returned to work on Monday morning at 5 o'clock.

The Lehigh Valley Coal Company brought grievances at the meeting of the Board of Conciliation in Scranton Tuesday. They complained that the miners refuse to work more than half a day on pay-day, and that at the Exeter mine the men recently remained from work to attend a picnic without notice to the company.

The State Federation of Labor of Colorado has taken the initiative in the formation of a new national labor body, and has sent out a call to all the State Federation in the United States for a national convention to be held in Denver, 1904. The primary purpose of the convention will be to organize the workmen and unions affiliated with the State bodies into a system similar to the United States Government system. The State Federation will be supreme in its particular state, but will work under national laws formulated by a body of representatives chosen by the State organization.

According to W. D. Mahon, general president of the Amalgamated Association of Street Railway employees, thirty-eight new local unions have been formed in the United States and Canada since last May. There are now 220 active divisions affiliated with the body.

MARKET TALK ON CHICAGO MARKET

Fresh Gossip From Closing Reports of the Windy City's Mart.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 16.—Grain letter—The opening was very tame and trading light. There seemed to be considerable wheat for sale above \$10 for May with the bull interests buying a little wheat but making no special effort to hold the price up and the market gradually sagged to 80¢. At the decline traders began picking it up on the belief that Armour was buying May through brokers and selling the July with advancing prices came increased trade and persistent buying pushed the price about 1/2 cent above the opening. Early sellers bought back their wheat. During the last hour market became very strong and the close was about top prices. Northwest receipts were about double last year's but difference was accounted for by the heavy storms prevailing in last region a year ago. We see no reason to change our position and believe that wheat is a sale on the bulges.

Corn
Corn opened strong and scored a fair advance regardless of the other markets. The trade was principally by commission houses and not heavy. There ought to be a break in corn soon, if it comes, buy it.

Oats
The market was very narrow and business light with no feature to the trading. Receipts continue small and demand fair. A small scalping market is all we can see in it.

Provisions
Provisions got a good bump this morning on the heavy run of hogs (60,000) and heavy estimates for tomorrow. (46,000). Stock yards people were the sellers. We think it a good gamble to buy pork on a break like this.

Floyd, Crawford & Co.

LOCAL HORSES RACE ON THE ICE

The Gas-House Pond To Be the Scene of Some Good Sport.

Janesville lovers of horse racing on the ice will have a chance to witness some good sport when several of the local horsemen of the city will have a chance to show up some of the speed of their horses any afternoon from now on at the Gas House pond, just north of the railroad bridge on North Main street. A gang of men were at work yesterday clearing off the snow and it is expected that some fast time will be made. Janesville has always had the reputation of having some fast horses especially on the ice and horse owners will have a chance to show what their horses can do.

MRS. BOOKER WAS SERIOUSLY INJURED

She Broke Her Hip While Visiting in the Northern Part of the State.

Russell's ambulance was called upon last evening to convey Mrs. Booker to her home on Prospect avenue. Mrs. Booker had been on a visit to relatives in the northern part of the state and while there had the misfortune to fall and break her hip. She was brought to this city last evening and Russell's ambulance was summoned to convey her to her home at 55 Prospect avenue, where she is now resting very comfortably.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

WHY THE FARMER LEAVES DAIRYING

Ex-Governor Hoard Calls Attention to the Surprising Conditions That Exist.

An editorial in Hoard's Dairyman calls attention to a surprising change taking place in the local dairy world, in the gradual desertion of the dairy field by a large number of people who have hitherto found it profitable. The editorial which is headed "The Reason Why" follows in full:

There is a large class of dairymen who are very much dissatisfied with the results of the business. We lately sent out 12,000 letters with a stamped, return envelope to old subscribers who in the past three years had failed to renew their subscription. We requested from them a frank, free statement why they had discontinued reading the "Dairyman," and if it was because of any fault on the part of the paper. Fully three-fourths of these people have paid us the especial favor of answering our letter. A large number of them subscribed for the paper again, stating that their failure to renew was mainly through inadvertence or neglect. But fully 75 per cent. of those who did not renew, stated that they thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated the paper, but they had become dissatisfied and discouraged with the business from one cause or another, and had gone out of it.

The reasons these men give for their dissatisfaction constitute very instructive reading. It is a look behind the scenes. There are two reasons given that are largely in the majority. These are (1) lack of good, efficient help, and (2) the low profit they get from their cows.

The first is a condition that will require special effort and enterprise to correct. There is no reason why dairy farmers should not break into the labor market with the same wide awake effort that manufacturers use. Anyway, staying on the farm and waiting for the hired man to present himself has not relieved the tension very much.

Revenue Question

But this question of a larger revenue from the cow seems to be, with a large portion of our correspondents, a most serious stumbling block. The statements they make disclose, in a great many instances, that they are trying to measure the necessities of today with the ideas and standards of fifty years ago. And they honestly wonder that they cannot secure a better fit. We cannot wonder that cows do not pay in so many instances when we note the ideas farmers have about what sort of a bull they want for her sire; what kind of treatment they will accord her; how they will feed her and care for her.

Lack of Interest

There seems to be a tremendous lack of real, earnest, studious determination to solve this cow question on right lines. The curse of this dual-purpose idea stands square across the way of breeding better cows. Bulls are selected that have not an ounce of dairy propensity in them. Somebody tells the farmer that his best bred bull is of "a milking strain," and that is enough. As well think of breeding trotting horses from two-thousand pound draft stallions if only some one would say they are from "a trotting strain."

All these things fall on listless ears. The farmer grinds away with his beef bred cows from a bull still more beefy—from a milking strain—and finds himself grinding to powder between the upper and lower millstones. It was for the purpose of opening the eyes of these farmers that we instituted the talking of "cow convenses" in various states. "Hoard's Dairyman" has piled up the evidence mountain high that it does pay to have dairy ideas about breeding, feeding and caring for dairy cows. We have shown that hundreds and thousands of men do make cows pay; do get a handsome return from their cows. But in every instance, nearly such men are doing business with dairy cows and are governed by dairy ideas.

Leasing Money
We have shown scores of herds sending milk to the same creamery, where one man would receive from \$150 to \$200 for every dollar spent in feed and other, because he would not be governed by dairy ideas, was sustaining a loss on every dollar spent in feed. And the still the plant goes up: "I can't make any money with cows," and because this true, whether it ought to be true, or need to be true, farmers are going out of dairying.

It is hard struggle, this getting men to acknowledge the truth that is before their own eyes, when their whole life training has been in a contrary direction.

Dairy Farmers
The main hope the country has for a successful class of dairy farmers lies in the young men who have the brain to see and the heart to take hold of the proposition of making true dairymen of themselves. The twelve thousand letters have proven a "flood of testimony," showing how good men have struggled against a lack of dairy understanding, and could not see that there lay the cause of their defeat. It is so hard for poor human nature to say: "I don't know enough," or "I am wrong." Yet it means that where one man with right ideas succeeds, others with wrong ideas fail.

MARRIED LIFE UNCONGENIAL TO ANOTHER BELOIT COUPLE

Albert Stuber Asks Circuit Court for Divorce Decree from Hilda Stuber.

Another Beloit couple have found married life uncongenial. Albert Stuber yesterday petitioned the circuit court of Rock county for legal separation from his wife, Hilda Stuber. They were married in July, 1892 and the applicant alleges that his wife left him soon after the wedding, never to return.

Dayton, Ohio, Mrs. Mary Simpson—"Everything disagreed with me and baby until I used Rocky Mountain Tea. Now baby sleeps and grows like a weed." 35 cents. Vols' Pharmacy.

TOBACCO TALK FROM THE EAST

PRICES BEING PUSHED DOWN BY SPECULATORS.

A REACTION WILL FOLLOW

Shippers Are the Men Who Will Lose Money, According to Tobacco Journal.

It seems a strange thing that with the very low prices at present ruling more business is not forthcoming. It is a fact that tobacco can be bought on this market at less money than it is possible to buy the same grade at in the country, notwithstanding this, manufacturers are very timid about making purchases of any size, contenting themselves by merely securing enough to supply their immediate requirements; that is, generally speaking, as there have been instances of one or two firms making very fair purchases.

Look for Drop
Manufacturers may probably be keeping off the market with a view to causing a further reduction in values, or may be through the unsatisfactory state of the manufacturing branch of the trade, or perhaps a combination of both. Apart from these conditions, however, the fact that some holders, having grown weary of waiting for an improvement have decided to get out of business that is practically defunct, and in order to do this have been offering their holdings at very low prices; and this, in my opinion, is the cause of the present range of values. This would look like a most favorable chance for manufacturers to operate, but they do not. When these interests have been disposed of, the market will become firmer, but until such time as this is accomplished I do not see how an improvement can take place. Of course these low prices mean big losses to shippers, and will really have a beneficial effect here later, as it is a most effective way of telling stemmers not to put up any strips this season.

Prices Go Up

If this should prove to be the case, and I firmly believe it will be, then in less than twelve months stocks will have become so low that tobacco will once again become a valuable commodity. I do not think it can be disputed that this is based upon perfectly sound reasoning, and can easily be understood and more than simply summed up. Present prices spell ruin for the shippers. Then, is it to be expected that they will send more tobacco to swell the stocks now here, and cause a further fall in prices that are already making big losses for them? To this there is only one business-like reply, which I will not mention—Tobacco Journal.

Shade Grown Tobacco

Shade-grown tobacco has been successful in Florida, although the operations have been confined to one county, Gadsden. The exhibit of shade-grown tobacco from this county took the prize at Paris two years ago. One plantation near Lake Jackson consists of 750 acres, although this is not all under shade. The work of preparing for next season's crop is progressing rapidly. The shipments out of storage amount to 13 car loads, 655 cases, from this market to all points for the week.

U-PIN-IT HOOK AND EYE THRIVING

One of Janesville's New Industries Has a Bright Future Before It.

U-Pin-It Hook and Eye company although one of the city's youngest industries is now in a most thriving condition. A visit to the company's factory yesterday by a Gazette representative revealed the fact that the company had more orders than they could possibly make care of.

Black U-Pin-It's

The black colored U-Pin-It hooks and eyes are now in demand, being preferred to the gold and silver pins. These black hooks and eyes are mostly used by dressmakers and the demand has exceeded the supply.

Work Evenings

For several weeks past the force at the factory has been obliged to work every evening except Wednesday and Saturday, to try and catch up with the orders. There are now twelve persons employed at the factory. Three machines are in constant turning out U-Pin-Its at the rate of 40 per minute.

New Machines
There are several new machines in the process of construction at the factory at Waterbury, Conn., and as soon as these machines can be gotten out the force will be doubled.

The U-Pin-Its for this new enterprise look very bright.

BRAINS ARE PAYING BADGER INVENTORS

Many Patents Issued at Washington to Wisconsin Men Recently.

R. W. Bishop, patent attorney, Washington, D. C., reports the issue of the following patents on the 15th instant to residents of Wisconsin.

746,698. Wagon attachment. Timothy Hanrahan, Ivesgrove.

746,715. Coupling-governor. W. D. Linzey, Milwaukee.

746,894. Centering device for cutter and boring bars. Charles Stenberger and J. C. Busch, Milwaukee.

746,920. Conduit. John Burnsen, West Superior.

746,923. Stove attachment. J. H. Clark, Portage, assignor to James H. Clark Co., same place.

746,968. Sparking plug. C. E. L. Lipman, Beloit.

746,988. Bag-holder. C. W. Olin, Volsa.

747,182. Igniter for explosive motors. T. B. Jeffery, Kenosha.

...LINK AND PIN...

Northwestern Road. Engineer Thomas Scott on Madison division passenger 523 and 529 is off duty for a few days. Engineer Robert Schultz of Madison is relieving him.

Fireman George Woodruff of Wisconsin division switch engine is confined to his home by sickness. Relieved by fireman Townsend.

Fireman Will Connell of the North Wisconsin division is off duty for a few days.

Engineer F. A. Barter has returned from Harvard and is nursing a badly bruised hand which he received while at work there.

J. W. Daly, boiler washer at the round house has returned to work after a three weeks lay off on account of a sprained ankle.

Fireman E. M. Loomis returned to work on the Barrington turn around.

Engineer A. L. Walcott on time freight runs Nos. 319 and 322, is off duty for a week. Relieved by Engineer W. A. Comstock of Fond du Lac.

Fireman R. P. Kay has returned to work on the night switch engine after a week's vacation.

Engineer Chas. George, formerly a Northwestern engineer, now working on the C. R. & P. out of Pittsburg, Texas is in the city to spend Christmas.

Night storeroom keeper Gus Lovejoy is taking in the sights of the Windy city today.

Krist Rasmussen, boiler maker from Harvard visited the shops yesterday.

Engine No. 526 left the track in front of the round house yesterday. It required two hours work to straighten it up. No damage done.

'Yesterday was pay day at the round house.

Bulletin received at the Superintendent's office reads as follows: To All Trainmen:—On Dec. 25, 1903, Christmas day, and on January 1, 1904, New Year's day, all work on the north Wisconsin division will be suspended so far as it is practicable in order to allow as many men as it is possible to spend these days at home with their families.

General Railroad Notes
It is said in New Orleans the Frisco has spent \$2,000,000 in acquiring property for terminals there.

It is rumored the Illinois central in the spring will begin building a new line from Cedarville to Des Moines, Iowa, taking in Grady Center, Dike, Marshalltown and other towns.

W. W. Carrell of La Crosse, Wis., said yesterday he was willing to allow the report that he had sold the Pine Bluff and Western road to the Rock Island system stand for the present.

Phelps, Dodge & Co., who already own 400 miles of railroad in Arizona, have offered to buy the Gila Valley, Globe and Northern railroad and threatened, in case of a sale being refused, to parallel it.

In the last week the Pennsylvania has reinstated 400 men who were laid off in November and has been increasing its force of freight brakemen, yardmen and other employees, not only on the main line, but on the lines west.

The car loads of grain brought to Chicago by western roads in November, compared with the receipts for the corresponding period of the last three years, follow: 1903, 16,866; 1902, 16,393; 1901, 13,062; 1900, 17,657. The receipts of live stock for November, compared with the same period of the last three years: 1903, 27,095 car loads; 1902, 24,836; 1901, 26,000; 1900, 26,238.

General Manager F. A. Delano of the Burlington is to become second vice president of that road, to succeed Howard Elliott, who lately became president of the Northern Pacific. Mr. Delano will be succeeded by C. M. Lovey, now general manager of the Hannibal and St. Joe. But these appointments will not become effective until after the decision in the Northern Securities case.

Buy the Furniture: E. J. Kent of this city has purchased all the office desks and other furniture in the old postoffice that could not be moved to the new government building.

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Liver Today, per lb. 5c
Old Chickens, per lb. 10c.
Young Chickens, per lb. 12-12c
Porter house steak 13c
Sirloin " 12c
Round " 10c
Shoulder " 10c
Pork chops 10c
Veal chops 12-12c
Pork sausage 9c
Frankfurters 10c
Baked ham 25c
Fried beef 20c
Boiling meats 5 7 8 and 10c
Canned meats
Salt pork 7c
Picnic ham 8c
Beef by quarter 5 to 6 1-2c

Mamma said those Pork Chops you sent us were the best she had ever had. These are a sample of the approving words that greet us on every side from our pleased Customers. Become one of them.

We are pleased to note by the orders coming in, that a larger number of Janesville people and of the surrounding country are taking advantage of our convincing low prices. If you have not given us a trial, do so at once, and let us call you our regular Customer.

Do not forget us on Xmas candles and nuts.
Soft Shell English Walnuts and Almonds 18c
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Hickory Nuts, per quart 10c
For Xmas decorating we have something never placed on Janesville market before in ready made wreaths and wreathing, cheaper than you can fuss with it yourself. Give us a call.

Holiday Wreaths, each 10c, 3 for 25c.
Magnolia Wreaths each 10c, 3 for 25c.
Natural Wreaths, each 10c, 3 for 25c.
Colored Wreaths, each 8c, 4 for 30c.
Noddy Pine Wreaths, each 5c, 3 for 15c.

Wreathing, 20 yards in roll, per roll 80c.
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PANAMA A REPUBLIC.

The commerce of Panama amounts to about 3 million dollars per annum. Its population, to about 300 thousand, and its area to 31,571 square miles, or nearly equal to that of the State of Indiana. These figures are supplied by the Department of Commerce and Labor through its Bureau of Statistics, and are the latest available data on commerce, population and area. These of commerce are from the reports of the United States consuls at Panama and Colon, which have just been received, and not yet published; those of population are based upon the latest official estimate, which shows the population in 1881, and was based upon the census of 1871; while the figures of area are from accepted geographical authorities and are those of the area of the "Department of Panama" of the Colombian Republic. The principal ports are visited annually by more than one thousand vessels, which land over one million tons of merchandise and nearly 100 thousand passengers, chiefly for transfer over the Panama Railway, 47 miles in length, connecting the Pacific port of Panama with the Atlantic port of Colon.

Colon, or Aspinwall, as it is sometimes called, has a population of about 25 thousand. It was founded in 1519, burned in 1671, and rebuilt in 1673, while Colon is of much more recent date, having been founded in 1855.

The population, which, as already indicated, amounts in number to about 300 hundred thousand, is composed of various elements—Spanish, Indian, Negro, and a limited number of persons from the European countries and the United States, especially those engaged in commerce and transportation and the operation of the Panama railway. A considerable number of the population is composed of persons brought to the isthmus as laborers for the construction of the canal, and of their descendants. Since the abolition of slavery in Jamaica a considerable number of blacks and mulattoes have settled on the isthmus as small dealers and farmers, and in some villages on the Atlantic side they are said to be in the majority, and as a result the English language is much in use, especially on the Atlantic side. Some of the native population have retained their customs, speech, and physical type, especially those in the western part of the province, and claim to be descendants of the natives found in that section by the Spaniards when they discovered and conquered the country.

Of the commerce of Panama, the United States supplies a larger share than any other country. The importations at the port of Colon during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1903, as shown by the report of the United States consul, amounted to \$952,644, of which \$614,197 was from the United States, \$119,086 from France, \$118,322 from England, \$76,386 from Germany. The figures of the fiscal year 1903 show a considerable increase from those of 1902, in which the value of the imports at Colon was \$776,345. Of the \$814,179 imports from the United States at Colon in 1903, \$200,744 was dry goods, \$189,333 provisions, \$59,890 coal, \$35,642 lumber, \$32,900 kerosene, \$30,400 liquors, and \$31,940 hardware. The value of the importations from the United States in 1903 exceeded those of 1902 by about 160 thousand dollars. The exports to the United States from Colon in 1903 amounted to \$173,370, of which \$75,432 was bananas, \$51,960 coconuts, \$12,472 turtle shells, \$9,400 ivory nuts, \$6,460 hides, and \$5,924 coffee. From the port of Panama the exports to the United States in the fiscal year 1903 amounted to \$193,342, of which \$64,767 was hides, \$49,974 india rubber, \$27,805 cocobolo nuts, \$16,598 ivory nuts, \$13,372 coconuts, and \$6,908 coffee. The consul at Panama states that the imported

articles come mostly from England, Germany, France, Italy, and the United States, but gives no statistics of the imports.

Panama is connected with San Francisco by a weekly steamer schedule operated by the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, and with Valparaiso by a weekly steamer schedule operated by the Pacific Steam Navigation Company and South American Steamship Company. Two passenger and two freight trains leave Panama daily for Colon and Colon daily for Panama. The time for passenger trains over the 47 miles of railway is three hours.

From Panama there is one cable line north to American ports, and one to the south. The actual time consumed in communicating with the United States and receiving an answer is stated by the consul to be usually about four hours. There are also cable lines from Colon to the United States and Europe.

The money of the country is silver, the rate of exchange having averaged during the past year about 150 per cent.

Time and tide wait for no man. Just so politics. The time and date of the coming nominations is drawing nearer each day and still unity is talked of only.

Mr. Baensch still firmly believes what he wrote and the voters of the state should read that announcement carefully so they can appreciate the man.

If the east side needs two policemen to arrest one drunken boy why let us have them. One evidently is not sufficient for the needs of a growing city.

It must make Turkey feel sore to have to apologize for an act that a Chicago copper would be promoted for insulting a foreigner.

Persian accounts of the hemlock cup evidently show that the Shah is still well able to take care of himself.

goose, not the turkey would be found on many a Christmas table. Well, a goose tastes good anyway.

When we get the lock at Indian Ford and the launches can run up to take Koshkonong life up the river will be worth living.

Many a Christmas tree will shine most merrily Christmas day and make excellent fire food a day or two later.

Procrastination is the thief of time so why put off today what you should do. Tomorrow never comes.

Despite the stumps and other impediments Rock river is a very pretty river after all.

Unless a decided thaw comes this will look like an old fashioned Christmas at any rate.

Snow brings trade so why complain when the walks have to be cleaned.

Eight days more before Christmas.

PRESS COMMENT.

Madison Journal: Governor Hoard has proven false to himself in endeavoring to discredit Sen. Whitehead as one who has "no sympathy for the common people as against the big corporations."

Racine Times: A New York judge has decided that the servant girl is the most despotic boss of all—beats the trusts and the trade unions to a fizzle. There was no need of a judicial decision; everybody found it all out long ago.

Milwaukee News: The 'rah, 'rah boys having completed the football season may now devote a few thoughts to their books, not necessarily as an incident of the "higher education," but as evidence for the old folks at home.

Menasha Record: The football season is over, the deer hunting season is closed, the rock-boat is out of date, war is not good in winter. We will have to fall back on the thimble and the frost broken rails for our death list.

Menasha Record: Reports from the old pine chopplings go to show that sheep raising in Wisconsin is profitable. If reports from other parts of the state are to be believed, the Wall street fortune tellers have found the Wisconsin lamp industry quite profitable also.

La Crosse Chronicle: The real strength of Governor La Follette will be tried when he goes into the campaign against a man who favors popular reforms, and is at the same time tactful, able and clean. The Governor has never been up against the real thing before.

Neenah Times: Some of our Democratic exchanges in speaking of their candidates for governor remark that it is "complimentary to them to be thus mentioned." The Times, however, would remark that it is a compliment to the Democratic party.

Green Bay Gazette: While congress is providing millions annually for the improvement of rivers and

harbors—a work that should not be permitted to lag because of inadequate appropriations—it will be well to see that the country roads the avenue over which the entire farm products of the nation start on their journey toward the market, are as well treated as the rivers and harbors, used by the same products during subsequent stages of the journey.

SPECIAL MARKET REPORT

From the Hadden, Rodes Co., 204 Jackson Block, Janesville.

C. L. Gutter Resident Manager.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close
Wheat	81 1/4	81 1/2	81 1/4	81 1/4
July	78 1/4	78 1/2	78 1/4	78 1/4
Dec.	78 1/4	78 1/2	78 1/4	78 1/4
May	43 1/4	43 1/2	43 1/4	43 1/4
July	43 1/4	43 1/2	43 1/4	43 1/4
Dec.	34	34 1/2	34	34 1/2
May	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2
July	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2
Dec.	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2
May	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2
July	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2
Dec.	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2
May	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2

CHICAGO CAR LOT RECEIPTS.

	To-day.	Contrast.	Est. Tomorrow
Wheat	81 1/4	81 1/2	81 1/4
July	78 1/4	78 1/2	78 1/4
Dec.	78 1/4	78 1/2	78 1/4
May	43 1/4	43 1/2	43 1/4
July	43 1/4	43 1/2	43 1/4
Dec.	34	34 1/2	34
May	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2
July	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2
Dec.	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2
May	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2
July	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2
Dec.	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2
May	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2

NORTH-WEST RECEIPTS (Wheat).

	To-day.	Contrast.	Est. Tomorrow
Wheat	81 1/4	81 1/2	81 1/4
July	78 1/4	78 1/2	78 1/4
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July	43 1/4	43 1/2	43 1/4
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May	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2

Live Stock Market

	Receipts Today	Stocks	Sheep
Chicago	3,000	1,000	1200
Kansas City	1,000	1,000	240
Market	2,000	2,000	1200

U. S. Yards Opening

	U. S. Yards Open.	U. S. Yards Close.
Wheat	81 1/4	81 1/2
July	78 1/4	78 1/2
Dec.	78 1/4	78 1/2
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A financial crisis exists in Rome

and merchants demand cash for all purchases. Boodle charges against the council are freely made.

Fred Lichtenteller, who escaped from the Green Bay reformatory four months ago, has been captured at Kenosha.

WANT ADS.

Letter at this office awaits: "A B" "J F H."

WANTED—Agents, Barbers, men made in 1900 in four days. Self Seller, Butler Bros., U. S. Agents, Beaver Dam, Wis.

WANTED, at once—Job printer at Gazette.

WANTED—Boy 15 to 17 years of age, not afraid of work, to learn printers' trade. Apply at once to Gazette, Printing Department, second floor.

WANTED, by a young man attending school, a place to work for board, outside school hours. Address A. D. Gazette Office.

WANTED AT ONCE—Position as saleswoman by a young lady with some experience. References. Address E. D. Gazette Office.

WANTED TO BUY—A second hand safe of about 200 pounds, with inside doors. Address N. W. Banker, Avon, Wis.

WANTED—Men to learn the barber trade. Constant practice. Export instructions. Tools donated. Diplomas granted. Board provided. Catalogue mailed free. Moler Barber College, Chicago, Ill.

MAN with reference, for commercial sales, many well known houses, salary \$24 weekly; experience advanced. The National, Canton, Ill., Chicago.

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FOR SALE—Farms of all sizes, business blocks, houses and lots. Apply to F. L. Stevens, Postoffice block.

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FOR SALE—Light delivery baby, Enquire of F. F. Bunn, 214 Washington St.

FOR SALE—A good horse, No. 161 Locust St.

FOR SALE—Good single cutter, No. 129 Madison St.

FARM FOR SALE—151 acres, two miles from Beloit, Wis., fronting on Rock river and Beloit and Janesville Electric Ry.; excellent buildings; two dwellings; superb view; desirable in every way; ideal country home. Easy payments. Apply to Fellers & Jeffrie, Janesville, Wis.

WISCONSIN LAND—Choice hard-wood lands; terms to suit your convenience. Call or send postal card. Interior Land Co., 9 North River street.

FOR SALE—Strictly high grade new upright by looking into this. Address P. P. Gazette.

FOR RENT—House, 116 N. Academy street, in good condition. Enquire of S. Trulsson, No. 131 Washington St.

FOR SALE—Light one-horse sleigh can be used with either one or two seats; set of new harness. L. S. Hillbrandt, No. 5 Court St.

FOR SALE—Two round sawmills from a make—capacity about 5 or 6 barrels each. Enquire at Gazette office.

FOR SALE—Old papers for shelves and for laying under carpets, five cents a bunch, at Gazette office.

Golden Opportunity.

Nothing in these modern times of form so favorable an opportunity for laying away small amounts of money annually, semi-annually, or quarterly, as the Endowment Gold Bond Contracts issued by the Aetna Life Insurance Co., of Hartford, Connecticut, one of the oldest, most conservative and stronger financial institutions in the country. HARLIN E. CARY, Gen'l Agent, No. 254 South Bluff St., City. New 'phone No. 773.

FOR SALE—A few extra heavy Spanning sweaters, to close out at cost. Lewis Knitting Co., South Main St.

FOR RENT—Four rooms for housekeeping. Inquire at 221 South Main street.

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms. Also, for sale, favorite coal stove. Enquire at 101 N. Main St.

FOR RENT—One well furnished room; gas light, furnace heat; free use of bath, at 111 South Jackson street. Address A. D. Gazette.

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FOR RENT—5-room house in good repair, corner Eastern and Jerome Aves. Enquire at 140 Linn St.

FOR RENT—Store in Myers Grand block. Inquire of P. L. Meyer.

MISCELLANEOUS

MRS. E. McCarthy, 250 W. Milwaukee street, will furnish help at short notice, she always has places for girls looking for a good home. Confections and cigars. "Beth" Phones.

RAILROADS in new furniture: Four elegant quiet room sets; one sleighboard, and several bed room sets; splendid bargains from the maker's hands. Inquire 314 N. River St.

OST—A pair of driving mittens, near Anson Boulevard's bar. Please leave at this office and receive reward.

CLAIRVOYANT—Trace Medium. Private readings daily on all affairs. From 9 a. m. to 9 p. m. Call at 481 S. Jackson street.

OST—Handsome tiger cat. Was last seen Jan. 12, 1903. Answers to name of Tommy. Return to 331 Ravine street. Reward.

For the Next Thirty Days

We will sell all Whips, Trunks, Telescopes, Suit Cases, Blankets, Robes, Harnesses and everything in our stock at ACTUAL COST.

RIKER BROS., No. 7 South Main St.

SPECIAL SALE... on CANNED CORN

Richieu Corp. 15c, 2 for 25c
Casino Corp. 15c, 2 for 25c
Monogram Corp. 12c
White Horse Corp. 12c
Tempo Corp. 12c
Mason's Pride. 10c, 3 for 25c
Morning Glory. 10c, 3 for 25c
Janesville Corn. 7c

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ALWAYS WARM.

Your house will be like "The Good Old Summer Time" if you buy your coal and wood at Sager's Coal and Wood Yard, where you will get the best hard or soft coal and second growth oak wood.

G. W. SAGER, Yards North Bluff St. Phones III.

THE RACKET.

Trade in the morning and avoid the crowd. A display of dainty dollies the little girls will like. Doll carriages, 25c to \$1.00.

Children's Sleds and Sleighs, 25c to \$1.00.

Children's Chairs and Rockers, 15c, 25c, 30c, 35c, 40c.

Toy China Tea Sets, 10c, 15c, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00.

Rocking Horses, 85c to \$2.50.

THOUSANDS OF TOYS FROM SANTA CLAUS WHICH WILL DELIGHT THE CHILDREN CHRISTMAS MORNING.

RIDERS, 163 W. Mil. st.

WE ARE SURE TO PLEASE

Penn. Oil, per gallon - 17c
Fresh H. M. Peanut Butter - 15c
Fresh H. M. Horse Radish - 10c
Fresh H. M. Fried cakes 14c
Dill Pickles, per dozen 10c
3 packages Gero Fruto 25c
5 pounds Dutch Java Coffee - 1.00
Try our Silver Leaf Tea 50c
Bulk Olives, per quart - 35c
Cooking Apples, per peck 20c

DRUMMOND'S New Stores - North Jackson Street Both Phones.

Beautiful Designs in China

See our window. Prices to suit your purse.

Janesville Spice Co. Both 'Phones.

LOWELL'S Special Bargains.

WHEN YOU'RE LOOKING FOR BARGAINS IN THE BEST OF GOOD THINGS TO EAT "TALK TO LOWELL"

APPLES

The carload of fine New York apples that we received recently are going rapidly. All we have to do is open a barrel and show them to a customer and the sale is made. These apples are the kind that keep until used up. They're sound and toothsome. Per barrel, \$2.75 and \$3.00.

Baldwins, \$2.75 and \$3.00.

Northern Spies, \$3.00.

Russets, \$3.00.

Greenings, \$3.75.

PRESERVES.

We are still selling Franklin MacVeagh & Co. preserves in jars, at from 40 per cent to 60 per cent below regular retail prices.

COFFEE

The best 50c Tea in the city. Our 25c Coffee can't be equaled in Janesville.

CANDIES.

Large stock and great variety of candies for the holiday trade. Chocolates, Bon Bons, Mixed Candies, Etc., Etc. Christmas Tree Cakes, 1c each

NUTS.

Mixed Nuts, 15c lb.

Soft Shell Walnuts, 15c lb.

Brazils, 15c lb.

Pecans, 15c lb.

Almonds, 18

SOCIETY GOSSIP THROUGHOUT CITY

PERSONALS AND OTHER CHIT
CHAT OF THE DAY.

CONCERT GIVEN LAST NIGHT

Many Janesville Ladies Acted as
Patronesses for Beloit
Musical.

Many Janesville people attended the first concert of the Beloit Musical association given in the Line City Congregational church last evening. The program included a number of vocal and instrumental selections in the first part and the second was devoted to the rendition of Coleridge Taylor's "Hiawatha's Wedding Feast." The chorus was assisted by Miss Ruby Garlick, soprano soloist; Miss Nellie Morrill, concert organist; Myron Barnes of Rockford, tenor soloist; and Harry E. Miller of Rockford, violinist. The accompanists were: Miss Katharine Root, piano; Miss Blanche Schellenger, piano; and Miss Laura Dixon, organ. The following Janesville ladies were invited to act as patronesses: Mesdames W. S. Jeffris, H. J. Cunningham, R. C. Denison, A. F. Lovejoy, A. E. Matheson, M. O. Mount, H. C. Buell, and John Winans.

Dr. Charles Sutherland of Chicago is home for a month's visit with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Q. O. Sutherland, before entering upon his month's work in the contagious ward of the hospital he is associated with.

The members of the Business men and Shirt Waist club held the second of their dances for the winter on Tuesday evening at Central hall. This little coterie of married people enjoy their dances each year.

On Tuesday evening last the Y. P. S. held a most enjoyable dancing party at Assembly hall. Professor Smith's orchestra furnished the music for the dancing which lasted until early Wednesday morning.

M. G. Jeffris returned last evening from Los Angeles. Mr. Jeffris is not enamored of California. He says that between three inches of dust and three inches of snow he takes the snow every time.

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Baker, who have been visiting their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Bennett, have returned to their home at Greenville, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McNaught are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. McNaught's mother, Mrs. Arner G. Pritchard, and will remain until after the holidays.

F. A. Schmaldt has been assigned to the position of fireman on runs Nos. 104 and 107, Madison division, between Madison and Milwaukee with Engineer Dolan.

H. Block has been assigned to the position as fireman on runs Nos. 84 and 87 between Baraboo and Harvard on the Madison division with Engineer Palmer.

Mr. and Mrs. William Shattuck are expected in a few days to spend Christmas with Mrs. Shattuck's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orrie Sutherland on East street.

Mr. Wilson Lane left Wednesday for the northern part of the state where he had been called on legal business.

Invitations are out for a dancing party to be given by Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Jeffries at Central hall Tuesday, December 29th.

Mr. Bert Watt is home from a business trip on the road.

VAN HISE HEADS THE COMMITTEE

Wisconsin Rhodes Scholarship Will
Soon Be Awarded to the
State.

President C. R. Van Hise, of the university, will lead the committee on Cecil Rhodes scholarships for the state of Wisconsin. The other members of the committee are President W. C. Daland, Milton college; President Edward D. Eaton, Beloit college; President Richard C. Hughes, Ripon college; President Samuel Plantz, Lawrence university. The committee will meet soon to select a man from Wisconsin to be sent to England. A competitive examination will decide which of the candidates who apply

..Draft for \$250.—Treasurer James Fathers has received from State Treasurer John W. Kempf a check for \$250, allowed to Janesville by the state for maintaining a manual training school.

Novel Address: Missionary address by Dr. J. W. Robinson, recently from India, at the First Methodist church of this city, on Friday evening, December 18, at 7:30. No admission fee. All invited.

Dr. Robinson is making a tour of six days on the Janesville district, speaking twice each day. Come and hear him.

Special Notice
The dry goods stores will be open evenings, commencing Monday, Dec. 21st.

A "Society" Wedding.
City Editor—"Notice that in this account of yesterday's you refer to the 'happy couple.'"

Reporter—"Isn't that all right?"
City Editor—"How many times have I told you that you were to give facts and not guess at things?"—
Town Topics.

Marriage License: A marriage license was issued today to Silas N. Hazzane and Miss Iva E. Stebbins of the town of Newark.

NOTICE TO OUR ADVERTISING PATRONS.

Owing to the rush preceding the holidays it becomes urgent in order to insure positive and correct insertion that copy for advertising be in our hands the evening before the date for publication.

We might also remind you that the more time you give our "ad" men in which to get up your announcement the tastier appearing advertisement you will get.

GAZETTE PRINTING CO.

LODGE MEETINGS TONIGHT

Janesville Chapter No. 5, R. A. M. meets at Masonic hall.
Laurel Lodge, No. 2 Degree * of Honor, meets at East Side Odd Fellows hall.
Templar hall.
Plumbers' union.
Teamsters' union.

BRIEF BITS OF LOCAL NEWS

Talk to Lowell.
Fresh mackerel. Nash.
The O. E. S. Study class will not meet this week, but will have both lessons at the next meeting on January 7th.

Salmon and halibut steak. Nash.
Trick skater at the rink tonight.
Charles Schultz is confined to his home at No. 205 South River street.

Don't fail to see Miss Nellie Donegan at the rink tonight.
Solid meat, the finest oysters in the city, 35c qt. Nash.
S. C. Burnham & Co. are offering now and handsome designs in our glass, sterling silver, rings, watches and everything in the jewelry line.

Fresh fish. Taylor Bros.
The sweetest fish, No. 1 silver smelt. Nash.
Fireman L. C. Manthey has been assigned to runs Nos. 62 and 63 between Baraboo and Winona on the Madison division with Engineer Cowles.

Fresh mackerel, No. 1 silver smelt, steak salmon, halibut. Nash.
Well worth going to see, fancy skater at the rink tonight.
Look over our fish list, reasonable goods and assortment. Nash.

Our window is a sample of the beautiful goods within. Come in and look at them. S. C. Burnham & Co.
Fresh fish. Nash.

Big inducements offered to all holiday purchasers of furs and cloaks. T. P. Burns.
Fresh fish; order early. Nash.

Nellie Donegan, the trick skater, will be at the Palace rink the remaining evenings of this week.
Corner Stone, the best patent flour on earth, \$1.10 sack. Nash.

Rugs make useful Christmas presents. See our large line. T. P. Burns.
60c tea, 25c coffee; both leaders. W. W. Nash.

Dolls and doll furniture, magic lanterns, steam engines, and toys of all descriptions. Savings Store.
Cut Leaf Drips syrup, 20c gal. Nash.

Our holiday handkerchief stock is now at its best, there is nothing lacking in this line here. T. P. Burns.
Dependable groceries. Nash.

Our stock of dinner sets, chamber sets, and fancy dishes, the most complete, at lowest prices in the city. Savings Store.
Ben Hur dance tonight.

Apples, 15c pk. Taylor Bros.
Cooking apples, 15c pk. Taylor Bros.
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New stock collars, 25 dozen just in, all the latest novelties, prices from 25c to \$2; on sale today at wholesale prices. Archie Reid & Co.
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The very thing you want in books for Christmas gifts you will find at Skelly's book store. All the new books worth reading at cut prices.

Nothing more acceptable for Christmas gifts than furs. Our line of scarfs and muffs is complete and prices are right. Archie Reid & Co.
Hundreds of Christmas suggestions result from a visit to Skelly's book store. All the newest designs in fancy china. Up-to-date novelties of all kinds that are not high priced.

Engineer Van Buskirk is relieving Engineer Tripp on the Chicago accommodation today.
You can subscribe for any magazine published at Skelly's book store. Trout, pike and salmon steaks. Taylor Bros.

Lake Superior trout, yellow pike, halibut and salmon steak and No. 1 silver smelt. Nash.
If you are looking for a good time tonight come to the Ben Hur dance.

Fraternals Reserve: The Fraternal Reserve association meets this evening in the Good Templars' hall.

Fifty Years the Standard
DR. PRICES
CREAM

BAKING POWDER

Improves the flavor and adds to the healthfulness of the food.

PRICE BAKING POWDER CO. CHICAGO

TOBACCO MEN AT A BANQUET

OVER SEVENTY SAT DOWN TO
FESTAL BOARD AT GRAND.

GEO. RUMRILL TOASTMASTER

Project of an Exhibit at St. Louis
Fair Favorably Regarded—Discuss
Many Important Questions.

Over seventy guests from this city and the neighboring country attended the banquet given under the auspices of the Janesville Leaf Merchants' association at the Grand hotel this afternoon. An elaborate menu was served and after the coffee and cigars Toastmaster George Rumrill introduced the following speakers who discussed the various phases of the tobacco business as noted below:

Subjects for Discussion
Exhibit of St. Louis Tobacco at St. Louis Fair.....A. L. Fisher
Tobacco Insurance.....O. C. Lee
General Discussion—Opinions of
Steaming Tobacco While Hanging in Sheds to Bring it in Case.
Advance Money on Contracts.....O. K. Roe
Tobacco Seed.....Andrew Janson
Unity Among Leaf Tobacco Men.....M. P. Strass
Fillers.....S. Strause
Best Time to Buy Tobacco.....P. C. Wilder

Some Who Are Present
The discussion in its progress as we go to press. It is the plan to make definite arrangements for the exhibit at the world's fair before the session closes. Among those present are: P. H. Crahan of Beloit; F. C. Coon, Andrew Janson, Edw. Hubbell, William McIntosh, A. S. Flagg, and Charles Bentley of Edgerton; S. E. Simonson of Deerfield; P. C. Wilder of Evansville; N. P. Strause, M. L. Carler, William Brinklow, and Frank Coleman of Madison; P. Brocken and Edward Edwards of McFarlane; E. F. Drottman, O. K. Roe, O. C. Lee, and O. Gunderson of Stoughton; Arley Peterson and H. N. Hoagart of Oshkosh; Edward McNair of Brodhead; and Fred Borden of Milton. About thirty Janesville packers are present. Ex-Governor Hoard was unable to be present.

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WAS EIGHTY-ONE ON WEDNESDAY

Dr. J. B. Whiting Passed His Eighty-
First Milestone Yesterday.

On Wednesday Dr. J. B. Whiting passed the eighty-first milestone. His well known figure does not seem bowed with the responsibility of another year and his genial smile and cherry greeting is as pleasant today as it was many years ago. For thirty years Dr. Whiting has been the surgeon for the St. Paul railroad in this city and during his long and useful life has served the personal friend of many of the great men of the nation. Yesterday many of his friends remembered his natal day with appropriate gifts. In speaking of the event this morning Dr. Whiting said:

To the friends who so kindly sent me tokens of their regard on this, the eighty-first anniversary of my birth, I am deeply grateful. Your kindness will cheer me on my way. May all mindful blessings be bestowed upon you and yours.

S. E. Vaughan, an old resident of the town of Lima, died this morning at the county hospital, aged 80 years. Cause of his death was due to old age. The interment will take place at Utters corners Saturday.

Mrs. H. M. McCarthy
The funeral of the late Mrs. Harry McCarthy will be held at the home of the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Haight, at 12:30 o'clock and 1:30 o'clock from the Hanover church.

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PROPOSED LOCK AT INDIAN FORD

LOCAL BOAT OWNERS WORKING
FOR IT.

NEW PLEASURE LAUNCHES

This New Lock Will Insure a Clear
Passage for Boats From Janesville to Lake Koshkonong.

Several local business men of this city have been making arrangements for the opening of the Indian Ford dam at Indian Ford so as to let pleasure boats go on up the river as far as Lake Koshkonong.

Local pleasure boat owners are now interested in completing arrangements so as to have a lock put in at Indian Ford, many large enough to allow pleasure boats to have a clear passage to Lake Koshkonong.

Will Cost \$1,500
It is estimated that the work of constructing a lock at this point will cost in the neighborhood of \$1,500, and it is supposed that work on the dam will be commenced early in the spring.

New Launches
C. D. Graves of this city has received orders from five local parties for the construction of pleasure boats all to be launched next season. These boats will be about the same size and pattern as the boats now used upon the river and will be propelled by a gasoline engine.

If the proposed project at Indian Ford is carried out it is expected that the number of pleasure boats on the river will be doubled next season.

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FALLS, BREAKING SEVERAL RIBS

Miss Fannie Moon Fell Down the
Cellar Steps, at Her
Home.

On Wednesday morning Miss Fannie Moon, who lives at No. 8 Millon avenue, fell down the cellar stairs in her residence and broke her ankle and fractured her leg. Dr. St. John was at once called and reduced the fracture and set the broken ankle. She is in a serious condition today but no great danger is felt over her recovery although the knitting of the bones will be tedious work.

The new meat market at Grubb's grocery store, 50 and 52 S. Main St., is carrying a stock of the finest meats of all kinds that can be bought. Beef tenderloins at 15c lb. is the cheapest steak to buy as it is entirely free from bone and every mouthful is tender.

Porter house and sirloin cuts at 14c lb. are the best in the city. Round steak at 10c lb. is less than any other dealer is asking.

Rib roast at 10c lb. is the best roast in the animal and no one else thinks of selling it less than 12 1/2c lb.

Good boiling beef, 6 and 8c lb. Clear salt pork, half lean and half fat, 10c lb.

Fine bulk sausage, 10c lb. Fine link sausage, 12c lb. Our own make of all pork sausage and pig pork that come from the hams and loins, 15c lb.

Fresh calf's liver on Friday. We have it usually all the time. You can buy sugar cured smoked ham, sliced at 16c lb. and fresh ham sliced at 14c lb.

Fresh dressed spring lamb today at 12 1/2 to 15c lb.

Fresh mutton, 10c to 12 1/2c lb. GRUBB PRODUCE CO.

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CONDEMN POSTAL
SERVICE ABUSES
SAY HEATH EVADES CHARGES

Answers by Former First Assistant
Postmaster General Are Not Satis-
factory From the Viewpoint of the
Special Investigators.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Two startling
reports bearing upon the postoffice
scandals have been made public. One
of them is the full Bristol report and
the other one brings in the names of
former Postmaster General Emory
Smith, Perry S. Heath, and former
Postmaster Merrill of Washington in
a most unpleasantly frank and direct
manner.

The new report is made by Charles
A. Donaparte and Holmes Conrad, spe-
cially appointed by the president to go
into the "Tulloch case," and give him
the facts and their advice from a legal
standpoint.

Messrs. Donaparte and Conrad say
at the outset that they are restrained
in a measure by the fact that the
statistics of limitations have made it im-
possible for them to suggest any prosecu-
tions, but they add that it is their
belief that some of the offenses, and
possibly crimes, may have continued
up to a period recent enough to bring
some of the offenders within the law.
The special report on the "Tulloch
case" does not spare former Assistant
Postmaster General Heath and says in
so many words that in the matter of
alleged appointments "the persons di-
rectly responsible for these fraudulent
employments were Messrs. Perry S.
Heath and George W. Beavers," and
that "it seems clear, however, that this
responsibility extends in some mea-
sure to the late postmaster general."

Tulloch's Charges.
The report, after reviewing the
charges brought by former Cashier
Tulloch of the Washington postoffice,
says:

"No improper official act on the part
of any public officer or employee is al-
leged which did not occur more than
three years before July 17, 1903, and
as all possible prosecutions are barred
we are, therefore, to interpret our
instructions to report on these
matters from a legal standpoint, in a
broader sense than we might other-
wise venture to ascribe to them, and
understand that our views are desired
as to the legal propriety of the official
action disclosed and not merely whether
it may or may not have been crim-
inal."

The "Tulloch charges" have never
been properly speaking, "investigated"
at all. We have been repeatedly con-
fronted in our inquiry with an assertion
on the one side and a denial on the
other as to a question of fact, with
no sufficient means at our command
to determine which statement we could
advise you to believe."

Regarding Heath's Answer.
The tendency to evade answering
these charges evinced by those reply-
ing to the postmaster general's request
for such answers, the report says, is
illustrated forcibly by the charges
against Perry S. Heath, former assis-
tant postmaster general, which have
been heretofore made public, and his
answers to them. "We consider this
answer," it continues, "altogether in-
sufficient, and no less unsatisfactory
in substance than in form."

Continuing the report says the revil-
sion of Postmaster Willet's accounts of
itself is sufficient to show that Mr.
Heath's official record is not so clear
as to defy suspicion. It adds: "More-
over, the confidential report of in-
spector-in-charge Smith and the special
report of Inspector Little tend so
strongly to sustain some of the most
serious charges made by Mr. Tulloch
against Mr. Heath that it is quite im-
possible to dispose of these charges
by calling them 'lies out of the whole
cloth,' especially when we remember
that the confidential report is stated
by Inspector Smith to set forth irregu-
larities discovered by himself, and
that the special report was prepared
a whole year after Mr. Tulloch had
left the office."

Does Not Mince Words.
The reasonable inference to be
drawn from Mr. Heath's complete
failure to meet fully and explicitly
accusations which, as Postmaster
General Payne justly admonished him,
"charged him with many acts of doubt-
ful propriety," added to the facts ap-
pearing from the record evidence laid
before us, oblige us to say that at
least a strong prima facie case is pre-
sented of willful and reckless disre-
gard by the late assistant postmaster
general of obligations imposed on him
as well as by the statutes of the United
States; and we feel it our duty to
add that suspicion of his personal in-
tegrity must be inevitably aroused in
our judgment by an impartial consid-
eration of the facts submitted to us
and of his plainly inadequate explana-
tions."

Improper Appointments.
The report takes up in detail the
charges of improper appointments of
subordinates and improper disburse-
ments of public funds, as contained
in the Tulloch charges, and, after an-
alysis, concludes:

"So far as indicated by the papers
submitted to us, the persons directly
responsible for these fraudulent
employments were Messrs. Perry S.
Heath and George W. Beavers, neither
of whom is now in the public service."

"It seems clear, however, that this
responsibility extends in some mea-
sure to the late postmaster general,
who appears to have at least tolerat-
ed the practice after notice of its ex-
istence, and to the late and the present
postmasters at Washington, each
of whom appears to have accepted the
transfer to his office of a number of
persons thus employed without, so far
as is shown, any protest or exposure
—facts substantially admitted as to
himself in Mr. Merrill's letter of
June 29."

The improper disbursements of pub-

lic funds for Beavers and others by
former Auditor Castle are gone into at
some length and specific instances
are cited in detail.

PASSES CUBAN BILL.

Senate by Vote of 57 to 18 Adopts the
Reciprocity Measure.
Washington, Dec. 17.—The senate
passed the Cuban reciprocity bill by
a vote of 57 to 18. One Republican
Senator Bard of California, voted with
seventeen Democrats in opposition to
the measure, and nine Democrats
Senators Bacon and Clay of Georgia,
Blackburn and Stone of Missouri, Over-
man and Simmons of North Carolina
and Gorman of Maryland, voted with
forty-six Republicans for the bill. Sev-
eral Democrats were absent, im-
paired against the measure. The op-
position Democrats came from states
interested in cane and beet sugar in
industries and from tobacco-growing
states. The vote in detail was as fol-
lows:

Yeas—Aldrich, Alger, Allen, Allison,
Ankeny, Bacon, Ball, Beveridge,
Blackburn, Burnham, Burrows, Bur-
ton, Clapp, Clark (Wyo.), Clay, Cock-
rell, Cullom, Depew, Dillingham, Dolli-
ver, Dryden, Elkins, Fairbanks, For-
aker, Foster (Wash.), Frye, Fulton,
Gallinger, Gorman, Hale, Hanna,
Hansbrough, Heyburn, Hoar, Hopkins,
Kean, Lodge, Long, McComas, Mc-
Creary, McCumber, Mitchell, Nelson,
Overman, Penrose, Perkins, Platt
(Conn.), Platt (N. Y.), Proctor,
Quarles, Scott, Simmons, Smoot,
Spooners, Stewart, Stone, Wetmore—
57.

Nays—Bailey, Bard, Bate, Berry,
Carmack, Culberson, Daniel, Dubois,
Foster (La.), McHenry, McLaurin,
Mallory, Martin, Newlands, Pettus,
Tallaterra, Teller, Tillman—18.

NEW YORK IN FIGHT.

Delegation Seeks to Secure the Na-
tional Democratic Convention.
Washington, Dec. 17.—New York
has launched its boom for the Demo-
cratic national convention, and until
the meeting of the Democratic national
committee, Jan. 12, the New York
congressional delegation will work
hard. Mr. Gorham, the most conspicu-
ous candidate for the presidential
nomination, is strongly in favor of
holding the convention in Chicago
and believes that the inclination of a
majority of the national committee is
in that direction. Nevertheless, Chi-
cago will find it harder to land the
Democratic convention than it was to
capture the Republican convention.
The New Yorkers are injecting polit-
ics into the matter and are bearing
down hard on the importance of car-
rying the Empire state.

Democratic Caucus.
Washington, Dec. 17.—The Demo-
cratic senators continued their con-
ference with a view of reaching a
conclusion on the course to be pur-
sued regarding legislation. They de-
cided that the caucus action in decid-
ing that Democratic senators should
vote together on party questions in
the future should not be binding in
the vote upon the Cuban reciprocity
bill; but that each senator should
vote as he might prefer on that mea-
sure. The conference also decided to
postpone its decision as to the course
to be pursued with reference to the
Panama canal treaty, and decided to
hold other meetings for the considera-
tion of that and other questions as
they may come up for consideration.

Renominates Filner.
Washington, Dec. 17.—The presi-
dent has sent to the senate the nomi-
nation of Joseph W. Filner of Illinois
to be an interstate commerce commis-
sioner. This is a reappointment.

WOMEN AID THE LABOR PARTY

Exercise Right of Suffrage for First
Time in Victoria.
Melbourne, Victoria, Dec. 17.—The
first of the commonwealth general
elections at which women exercised
the right of suffrage was held Dec. 16,
with the result that all political cal-
culations were upset. The struggle
was between the government, opposi-
tion and labor parties, chiefly over
the fiscal question. The women voters
were excellently organized and cast a
heavy ballot, almost exclusively in
support of the labor ticket, the result
being that the labor party won many
seats. At the last elections the labor-
ites were badly beaten.

Goes Over Embankment.
Cleveland, O., Dec. 17.—A Cleveland
& Southwestern electric car was
thrown down a high embankment near
Strongsville Center. Twenty passen-
gers on board were more or less seri-
ously injured.

Alleges Blackmail.
St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 17.—William H.
Leavitt, Mr. Bryan's son-in-law, brands
the threatened suit of a Newport girl
as blackmail.

Kills Himself in Jail.
Tekamah, Neb., Dec. 17.—Solomon
Paddock, awaiting trial for the murder
of his son, committed suicide in jail.

Hard Lines for Clergy.
The greater number of the clergy
of the Church of England have not
enough to eat and drink, hundreds of
them are clothed in second-hand gar-
ments sent to a charitable society, and
many of them have no fuel by means
of which to keep themselves warm.

Letters Most Frequently Used.
Of the alphabet the letters used
frequently used out of every 1,000 let-
ters formed into words in daily use
are, first, the letter E, which takes
the lead, occurring 137 times; the
next, T, running 88; O, 76; S, 75; I,
71; R, 70; N, 66; H, 65; A, 64, and
L, 40.

LODGE CALENDAR.

Masonic.

Western Star Lodge, No. 14, F. and A.
M.—1st and 3rd Tuesday.
Janesville Lodge, No. 65, F. and A. M.
—2nd and 4th Monday.
Janesville Chapter, No. 5, R. A. M.—
1st and 3rd Thursday.
Janesville Commandery, No. 2, K. T.—
2nd and 4th Thursday.
Janesville Chapter, No. 69, O. E. S.—
2nd and 4th Wednesday.
I. O. O. F.
Wisconsin Lodge, No. 14.—Every Wed-
nesday.
Janesville City Lodge, No. 90.—Every
Tuesday.
Rock River Encampment, No. 5.—1st
and 3rd Friday.
Canton Janesville, No. 9, Patriarchs
Millant.—2nd and 4th Friday.
America Lodge, No. 29, D. of R. 2nd
and 4th Saturday.
Social and Benefit Club.—1st Thursday.
Janesville Lodge, No. 171, D. of R.—
2nd and 4th Thursday.
Catholic Knights of Wisconsin,
Branch, No. 60.—1st Sunday.
Elks.

Janesville Lodge, No. 234.—Every Tues-
day.

G. A. R.
W. H. Sargent Post, No. 28.—2nd and
4th Friday.
W. H. Sargent Corps, No. 21, W. H. C.
—Every Alternate Tuesday.

Hibernians.
Division, No. 1.—2nd Sunday.

Knights of the Globe.
Janesville Garrison, No. 19.—2nd and
4th Tuesday.

Knights of the Maccabees.
Rock River Tent, No. 61.—1st and 3rd
Monday.

Rock River Five, No. 71, Ladies of
the Maccabees.—1st and 3rd Monday.

Knights of Pythias.
Oriental Lodge, No. 22.—Meets every
Friday.

Modern Woodmen of America.
Florence Camp No. 361.—2nd and 4th Monday.
Crystal Camp, No. 182.—2nd and 4th
Wednesday.

National Union.
Janesville Council, No. 228.—1st Tues-
day.

United Workmen.
Olive Branch, No. 36.—2nd and 4th
Friday.

Olive Lodge, No. 27, Degree of Honor.
at and 3rd Wednesday.

Laurel Lodge, No. 2, Degree of Honor.
1st and 3rd Thursday.

Badger Council, No. 223, Royal Arcan-
um.—2nd and 4th Friday.

Independent Order of Foresters.—4th
Monday.

Trade Workers of the World.—1st and
3rd Tuesday.

Omega Council, No. 214, Royal League.
1st and 3rd Tuesday.

Woman's Catholic Order of Foresters.
2nd and 4th Tuesday.

Beavers.—2nd and 4th Tuesday.

Colony, No. 2, B. F. F.—4th Tues-
day.

St. Patrick's Court, No. 518.—1st and
3rd Wednesday.

Crystal Camp, No. 375, K. N. A.
Rock River Grange, P. of H.

Ben Hur Court, No. 1, Tribe of Ben-
hur.—2nd and 4th Thursday.

Knights of Columbus.—1st and 3rd
Thursday.

Peoples' Lodge, No. 400, I. O. G. T.—
Every 3rd Friday.

Brown City Verein, No. 31, Germania
Unterstützung Verein.—3rd Friday.

Janesville Council, No. 108, U. C. T.—
1st and 3rd Saturday.

Janesville Assembly of Equitable
Fraternal Union, No. 171, meets the
first and third Mondays of each
month at the Caledonian hall, Carle
block.

St. Patrick's Court, No. 518, W. C. T. U.,
meets 1st and 3rd Mondays in the
month.

Retail Clerks' Union.—3d Tuesday.
Janesville City Lodge, No. 90.—Every
Tuesday.

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and 3rd Mondays of each month at the Cal-
edonian hall, Carle block.

St. Patrick's Court, No. 518, W. C. T. U.,
meets 1st and 3rd Mondays in the
month.

Labor Organizations.
Journeyman Barbers' Union.—1st Mon-
day.

Painters, Paperhangers & Decorators
Union.—1st and 3rd Monday.

Journeyman Tailors' Union.—2nd Mon-
day.

Leather Workers.
Brewers' Union.—1st and 3rd Tuesday.

Retail Clerks' Union.—3d Tuesday.

Mechanists' Union.—2nd and 4th Tues-
day.

Federal Labor Union.—1st and 3rd
Wednesday.

Geographical Union.—1st Wednesday.
Trade Council, Building Trades Coun-
cil.—2nd and 4th Wednesday.

Woodworkers' Union.—4th Thursday.

Clear Makers' Union.—2nd Wednesday.

Shoemaker & Shoe Workers' Union.—1st
Thursday.

Knights' Union.—1st and 3rd Thurs-
day.

Transiers' Union.—1st and 3rd Thurs-
day.

Amalgamated Sheet Metal Workers'
Union.—1st and 3rd Friday.

Carpenters' Union.—1st and 3rd Fri-
day.

Women's Union Label League.—2nd
and 4th Friday.

Stone Cutters' Association of North
America.—3rd Friday.

Bricklayers & Masons' Union, Brother-
hood of Locomotive Firemen.—1st and
3rd Saturday.

Floods Cost Many Lives.
Constantinople, Dec. 10.—Terrible
floods now raging in Albania have cost
twenty-seven lives.

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CHAPTER II.—(Continued.)

"Certainly," he replied. "Don't worry. It will all come out right. You shall hear from me every day. I will send the colonel round this evening."

Whidby stood at the window and watched her graceful figure pass through the gate and cross the street. "I'm sure I did right in not telling her about that afterthought of mine," he reflected. "It would only worry her, and—perhaps it means nothing after all. And yet—My God! it will drive me mad! Could I have done it? Will it all come back to me some day?"

He sank on the sofa, covered his face with his hands, and groaned aloud.

CHAPTER IV.

When Warrenton left Whidby he went downstairs. He knew the room where Whidby had slept the previous night, but he found the door closed and locked.

Hearing the voices of the undertaker and his men in Strong's room, he entered it. The men looked up from the coffin at him, and Hodson, the undertaker, bowed and said good morning as Warrenton approached and looked at the dead man's face.

"I've never seen anything like that smile, colonel," said Hodson, "and I've been in this business over 20 years. It was all I could do to get my men to go to work when they first saw him. We tried to close his eyes; but the lids are as stiff as whalebone."

The colonel shuddered at the coarseness of the man's words.

"How do you explain the smile?" he asked.

"I can't explain it at all," answered the undertaker. "I don't think such a thing ever happened before."

Warrenton bent over the coffin for a moment. "It seems to me to be a genuine smile, mixed with a sensation of pain, or even surprise."

"He was laughing, colonel. If ever a man laughed in his life, I ain't particularly superstitious. I once unscrewed a box and let a man out that had passed for dead 36 hours. I was alone with it at midnight. You can bet that gave me a shock; but, frankly, I'd hate to spend a night with this one."

"Whidby slept in that room, didn't he?" asked the lawyer, glancing indifferently towards the portiere.

"Yes, sir, but the indications are that the deed was done very quietly. Perhaps Mr. Whidby was drugged."

Hodson turned to give some orders to his men. The colonel went into Whidby's room and let the curtain fall behind him. The room had not been put to rights. A chair stood between the portiere and the bed. Its back was towards him. Warrenton listened. Hodson was still talking to his men, and the colonel could hear them using their tack-hammers. Quickly and stealthily he stepped to the chair and turned its back to the light from the window. He found what he feared was there—a faint smear of blood just where Whidby had caught the chair with his right hand.

"Enough to draw the halter around his neck," thought the lawyer. "I hope it escaped that detective's eye." He laid it just replaced the chair, when the portiere was drawn back and Hodson looked in.

"I beg pardon, colonel, but Capt. Welsh asked me to allow no one to come in here. I thought you went into the hall."

"I was just wondering how Whidby could have slept so soundly unless he was drugged," said the colonel. "I would not have come in if I had thought it was forbidden. Whidby and I are so intimate, you know, I feel as if I were at home here."

"Oh, no harm done," said the undertaker, as he held the curtain aside for Warrenton to pass out.

The colonel went into the hall and turned into the parlor. Here he looked about aimlessly for a moment, and then, seeing an open door which led to the servants' rooms in the rear, he passed out.

In a little room adjoining the kitchen he found Matthews.

"I want to see you, Matthews," said the colonel. "I want to ask you some questions. Mr. Whidby is so excited and upset that I don't wish to disturb him, and yet I must get some light on this subject."

"I don't know much about it, sir," replied the gardener. "I've told all I know to the jury."

The colonel sat down on a window-sill and lighted a cigar.

"You can trust me, you know, Matthews. I am an old friend of the family."

"Oh, I know that, sir, well enough," said the colonel. "You have been in Mr. Strong's service a long time, Matthews, and you may now remember some things that you did not think of when you were testifying. For instance, have you any recollection of ever having seen anything which might tend to show that Mr. Strong had an enemy?"

Matthews stared at the lawyer for a moment in silence and then sat down on a chair and folded his hands nervously over his knees.

"I can't say I have, colonel," he said; "and yet—well, you know, my master was a very excitable, suspicious sort of a man."

"I never knew that."

"Well, he was, sir. He used to have spells of it, sir—spells I call 'em. He didn't seem able to sleep well at times. He has once in awhile had me sleep on the floor at the foot of his bed."

"Ah! is that so?"

"Not often, sir, but perhaps twice a year, or thereabouts."

"Do you recall anything that might have caused him uneasiness at those times?"

"Well, I did have a sort of idea that he might 'a' brought home some money and was afraid 'o' bein' robbed of it."

"Can you remember ever having seen anyone about just before or after those spells?"

Matthews was silent, deep in thought, for a moment, then he said:

"Yes, I do remember something rather odd, sir. It was when Mr. Whidby was at the seashore in the summer, and master was makin' me sleep in his room every night while he was gone. One evening master told me he was lookin' for a visitor to see him on important business, and that I was to stay back here till he left."

"Did you see the man?"

"Yes, sir. I opened the door when he rang."

"How did he look?"

"Very queer-lookin' individual, sir, it struck me. He looked like he might be a drinkin' man. He was tall and thin, 'a' had dark eyes and white hair. He was so queer-lookin', sir, that I thought strange 'o' master havin' an appointment with him. To tell the truth, sir, I kinder thought it might be some poor relation in trouble, that master didn't care for people to see about. I showed him into the parlor and went back into the kitchen. About 15 minutes after that I thought I heard loud words and a scuffling 'o' feet in the parlor. Their voices would sink down and then rise up again like they was quarrellin'. I was frightened, but was afraid 'o' displeasin' master if I went in, so I just come as far as the room next to the parlor."

"Did you then hear anything?"

"They kept it up, sir. Master seemed to be arguin' with him in a low, steady voice, and the stranger would break in and beat the table with his fist. Once I heard him say he wanted half of something, and just after master answered I heard blows and the fallin' of chairs. I thought I had waited as long as I could, and grabbin' a old pistol that I always kept by me, I rushed in. Master was on one side of the room, behind a sofa, and the fellow was holdin' a chair by the back and just about to raise it. When he saw me and my pistol he put down the chair, and, with an oath, backed out of the room. I followed him as far as the front door and saw him spring over the fence and walk away quick."

"Then I went back to master. To my surprise, he was tryin' to smile as if nothin' had happened; but he was as white as a ghost. For a minute he couldn't say a word. Presently he said: 'Rather nasty temper he has, Matthews. My friend was a little upset, but he would have come around all right. You frightened him away with that pistol.'"

"Didn't he strike you, master?" I asked. "I thought I heard you fightin'." And then I noticed a bruised spot on his forehead which showed mighty plain under his white hair an' on his pale skin. He saw me lookin' at it, and put his hand over it, but he was so excited he couldn't keep from showin' that he didn't want to let me know what the cause of the trouble was."

"That fellow was drunk, master said. 'I think his mind is wrong, too, a little. Yes, he did strike me, and I reckon you were right to come when you did.'"

"Then he asked me if I was sure my pistol was loaded, and told me to sleep in his room, and see that the windows and all the doors were locked."

"Was that all?" asked the colonel, deeply interested.

"Yes, sir, except he made me promise not to mention the affair to Mr. Whidby nor anyone else. I'm sure he didn't sleep a wink that night, for I heard him rollin' and tumblin' in bed, an' he'd get up every now and then and cautiously look out of the window."

"After that, did you see anything to indicate that Mr. Strong was ever frightened or greatly excited about anything?"

"Nothin', sir, except he bought a fine watchdog, the one that died last winter, you know. He was always interested in him, and particular about leavin' him unchained at night. Then I do seem to remember that now and then master would get a letter that would excite him somewhat. They always came in strange-looking blue envelopes. Once when I gave him one at breakfast he turned pale when he opened it, and didn't finish eatin'."

Col. Warrenton rose and knocked the ashes from his cigar.

"I've got an appointment downtown," he said. "See here, Matthews, don't say anything about what you have told me. I am investigating a little on my own account in this matter and I don't want anyone to know it. Hold your tongue, and I'll see that you don't lose nothing."

A few minutes later the colonel was in his office downtown. He had just begun the dictation of a letter to his stenographer when he heard the cry of a newsboy in the street.

"Extra! Extra! Morning News! New developments in the Leighton avenue murder case! Extra! Extra!"

The colonel went to the door quickly, and returned reading a newspaper still damp from the press. Under large, sensational headlines he read a detailed account of a circumstance that seemed to bear strongly on the murder of the night before. No less than 25 typewritten notes had been picked up in different parts of the city early that morning; they had been found on the sidewalks, under the doors of private residences, in the yards of unoccupied houses, in the mail boxes by letter-carriers, behind the counters of shops, and one in the coat pocket of Mr. William Roundtree, the mayor, who had declared to a reporter that it must have been put there while he was wearing the coat.

The wording of all the notes was exactly the same, and ran as follows:

"Nobody will ever discover who murdered Richard N. Strong. It will be useless to try. The secret lies in the smile on the dead man's face. Who put it there, and how was it done? These questions will remain unanswered till the end of time. But this is not all. Before long others will wear the dead, white smile."

"ONE WHO KNOWS HIS BUSINESS."

Col. Warrenton hurriedly read the rest of the sensational article, then threw aside the paper, and went down the street for two or three squares and up to the office of the mayor. He sent in his card, and was admitted at once. Mr. Roundtree was writing at his desk, but he rose and drew a chair near him for his friend to sit down.

"I just ran in to see about that note you got," said the lawyer. "Is it a fact that you found it in your pocket?"

The mayor thrust his right hand into the pocket of his sack coat. "He put it right there, colonel. I could show it to you, but I sent it to the police. I thought it was the only one till I read the extra just now."

"How could it have got into your pocket?" asked Warrenton. "Have you been in any crowds to-day?"

"Several, as it happened. At the post office this morning there were a great many people waiting for the mail. I stopped at the Imperial hotel in a throng of politicians, and at the corner of Main and Broad streets I was in a crowd around the driver of a cab who had been thrown against a lamp-post and considerably injured. It could have been put into my pocket at any one of those places without my knowing it."

"What do you think ought to be done?" asked the colonel.

"I think the villain ought to be run down at all costs," was the reply. "I have just sent out a circular to be posted, in which I offer in the name of the city, \$5,000 for his capture."

"A good idea," said Warrenton. "Do you know this detective Hendricks?"

"By reputation only. I understand he is the sharpest fellow alive in his particular line. I am glad he happened to be in town. You know he refused to come here just after the McDougal murders, he has so much to do in the larger cities. But I think he's interested in this case. They say he's like a bloodhound; when he smells blood he can't stop till he has run something down. By the way, he has bound us to secrecy. He says he will drop the case the moment it gets into the papers that he is here."

"So Welsh said. I would not have mentioned it to you, but he told me you had given your consent to Hendricks being employed."

CHAPTER V.

Mayor Roundtree lived in a large two-story brick house standing back a hundred yards from the street, in extensive grounds. It was in the suburbs of the city, and at the end of one of the electric car lines.

When the mayor went home that afternoon, about six o'clock, he found his family sitting on the front veranda waiting for his return. The group consisted of his son Marlon, a young man just of age, his married daughter, Lillian, her husband, Fred Walters, and Mrs. Roundtree.

"Talking about the murder, I know," said the mayor, as he came up the steps.

"We are concerned about your offering that reward, dear," Mrs. Roundtree replied. "If I had been downtown I should have begged you not to do it. The murderer is evidently of unsound mind, and the reward may direct his attention to you. You know he says—"

"Mamma's only nervous," interrupted Lillian. "She hasn't talked of a thing all day except the isolation of our house and how easy it would be for a creature of that kind to make us his victims."

"Pshaw! that's all nonsense," exclaimed the mayor, taking the seat vacated for him by his son, who had thrown himself into a hammock. "Besides, the reward may be the means of putting the man under lock and key."

"I wish it had been the duty of some one else to offer it," replied Mrs. Roundtree, plaintively. "Why, dear, he was near enough to have killed you when he put that note into your pocket."

"He is not that sort of criminal," said Lillian, to the surprise of the others. "He will never kill anyone in open daylight on the street, where he might be seen. As the murderer says in his letters, the secret lies in that smile on Mr. Strong's face. Dr. Kramer saw the body, and he said this afternoon that he had never heard of anyone being killed with just such a facial expression. It is my opinion that you'll have to go deep into psychical phenomena to get at the mystery."

"I wish, Lillian, I didn't like to hear you talk that way," said Mrs. Roundtree. "I have never approved of your reading the books you read."

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The Canton, O., plant of the Structural Steel Car company has been sold to a Cleveland firm for \$100,000, to be used for a manufacturing company.

Fire at the Grand hotel, Cincinnati, O., caused a small loss. Crossed wires caused the flames to shoot from the west side on the sixth floor, but the fire was soon extinguished. No one was hurt and there was little excitement.

The Raleigh, Cincinnati, Albany and Pompeii of the United States northern squadron, under command of Rear Admiral Cooper, arrived at Honolulu, from Yokohama via Midway Island. Later in the day Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans, commander-in-chief of the Asiatic fleet, arrived on the flagship Kentucky, accompanied by the battleships Wisconsin and Oregon.

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WILL TEST THE HUNTING LAW

Courts to Pass Upon an Act of the Michigan Legislature.

Marquette, Mich., Dec. 17.—The law passed by the last legislature providing for the prosecution of the hunter who kills or wounds another while in quest of game is to be tested in the Circuit court. On complaint of the widow, Fred Murray, son of a business man, has been arrested, charged with manslaughter, for killing David Pickett, a carpenter, who was in another hunting party. The maximum sentence under the law is imprisonment for ten years or a fine of \$1,000.

HELD FOR MYSTERIOUS MURDER

Man and Wife Are Accused of Killing Woman's Mother.

Bedford, Ind., Dec. 17.—Joseph Weeks and Cora Weeks, his wife, were before the Lawrence Circuit

court to answer for the murder of Cora Weeks' mother, Mrs. Susan Ireland, who was found dead Sept. 7 with a bullet hole in her head. The case is a mysterious one. Mr. and Mrs. Weeks were the only witnesses of the woman's death and they claimed it was suicide, but the coroner's verdict said murder.

Threaten Rich Man's Son.

New York, Dec. 17.—A letter demanding \$500 from Peter Winchester Rouss, son of the blind millionaire, with the accompanying threat that failure to pay would be followed by the destruction of the Rouss stable, is being investigated by the Brooklyn police.

Score Dead in Great Gale.

Madrid, Dec. 17.—Severe storms which swept the Mediterranean coast of Spain near Malaga and Ferrol caused fourteen fishing smacks to be wrecked. A number of lives were lost. Twenty-two bodies have been washed ashore.

To Start Bagdad Railway.

Constantinople, Dec. 17.—The construction of the Bagdad railway, which will give through communication from the Mediterranean to Kowite on the Persian gulf, is again nearing a commencement.

Try Boy for Murder.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 17.—Charles Cantrey, 18 years old, charged with the murder of five members of his family, was placed on trial here. Expert alienists report the boy insane.

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